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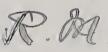
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## PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Ottawa, April 15th, 1919.

Personal & Confidential

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Dear Mr. Speer,

I have your letter of April 10th, with enclosures.

While I had heard that Canon Tucker and Bishop Fallon were engaged in a newspaper controversy, I did not know until I received your letter that your name had been dragged into it. This I deeply regret.

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I deeply regret that my public duties have deprived me of the privilege of meeting you and my other old friends in the Missionary Movement. I hope some day the pressure may be removed so that we may resume the associations which I for one so greatly enjoyed.

Yours faithfully,

Rev. Robert E. Speer,

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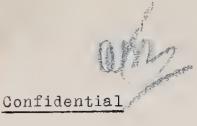
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## PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Ottawa, April 16th, 1919.

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I have given further consideration to your letter of April 10th, with the enclosures, which I now return herewith.

I am of the opinion that certain statements of Bishop Fallon are libellous, particularly those underlined, but as intimated in my former letter, I should doubt the wisdom of your instituting legal proceedings. I do not think the statements will hurt you among your friends in Canada, or the cause you represent.

With warm regards, I am,

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Dictated by Mr. Rowell but signed in his absence.